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MEMO

TO: Keith Higginson
FROM: Wayne D. Criddle

Hubert, Frank and I have just been discussing the water distribution problem in the Vernal area which we see coming up this next year. We believe it is essential that certain basic information be assembled and plans made before we meet with the water users in March, and that such arrangements should be made well enough in advance to give us a chance to analyze them pretty carefully.

Bob Guy's report dated December 20, 1962 will serve as a good base. However, there are several points lacking as we see it.

- 1 - What is the basis for the prorated cost? Can we not review water deliveries as measured (or estimated) and give some added weight to Pot Creek since it is isolated?
- 2 - Bob recommends a combined office with ours but fails to show the office rent, telephone, answering costs, etc. as being prorated. What do you recommend?
- 3 - Bob is somewhat ambiguous on the need for a full year-around commissioner. We feel that such need for Ashley Creek should be made clear. Perhaps they should assume 63-65% of the costs because of their winter needs.
- 4 - The memo indicates the commissioner could have his report in by December 1 of each year. As of December 27, 1962, I haven't yet seen the 1962 reports. Are they in?

Looking to the future, I would hope we could take the following steps at the earliest possible date and well ahead of the Water Users' meeting scheduled for March 4.

- 1 - Get commissioner's reports in.
- 2 - Decide on prorata share based on probable ac.ft. deliveries and complexity of doing the distribution job.
- 3 - Agree on arrangements to be made (By Jan. 15?)
 - (a) Budget
 - (b) Prorate shares
 - (c) Office and miscellaneous costs
 - (d) Basis for assessment
 - (e) Other matters
- 4 - Preliminary meeting with representatives from the three systems (About Feb. 1)
- 5 - Establish definite proposal to present to water users before March 1.

WDC/eca
cc: Norseth, Guy, Reese, Lambert

WDC

(Operational Period: March 1 - - Oct. 31, or 8 Months)

1- Comm. Salary (8 Months ^{or 12 @ 300⁰⁰} @ 450 ⁰⁰)	\$3600.00
2- Dep. Comm. Salary (6 months @ 375 ⁰⁰)	2250.00
3- Fed. & State Taxes {state = 2,340 ⁰⁰ Fed. = 213 }	447.00
4- Comm. Travel (Flat 8 Mo. @ 75 ⁰⁰)	600.00
5- Dep. Comm. Travel (Flat 6 mo. @ 100 ⁰⁰)	600.00
6- Bonds & Ins. Prem.	50.00
7- Comm. Annual Report (150 copies - 100 Brush - 50 P/L.)	300.00
8- Office Rent (@ 30 ⁰⁰ x 8 mo.)	240.00
9- Telephone (Flat \$15 ⁰⁰ x 8 mo.)	120.00
10- Equipment (Office & Field)	100.00
11- Miscellaneous	43.00
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(Grand Area - 1963
(Rasmussen
& Calder)

Pat Creek - 10% = 835.00 { 20% = Colorado or \$167.00
80% = Utah or 668.00
Brush Creek - 30% = 2505.00
Ashley Cr. - 60% = 5010.00

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(Commissioners can operate for 12 months
@ 300⁰⁰ per month or 8 months @ 450⁰⁰ per month)